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CHAPTER FIVE – THE BEASTS OF CHOSHU

SHIBATA YUUSAKU

BEFORE SEPARATING IN THE MORNING WITH A PROMISE TO MEET AGAIN
ONE USUALLY MEANS ENJOYABLY PASSING THE NIGHT WITH A WOMAN
BY 'LOVE AFFAIR'

WON'T SEE ANOTHER MORNING.
THESE WOMEN HOWEVER,

I'M SURE THEY NURSED GRIEVANCES OVER THIS COUNTRY'S FUTURE AS WELL...
HOWEVER... IN A TIME LIKE THIS IN WHICH THE COUNTRY IS VERGING ON A NATIONAL CRISIS,
I DO FEEL TERRIBLY SORRY FOR THESE LADIES...
AH... ABOUT THAT,

SHOULD BE HAPPY NEWS FOR THEM, NO?
THE FACT THAT THEY WERE ABLE TO OFFER ENERGY TO THE MAKING OF A NEW ERA...

WHETHER IT'S A SHOGUNATE OFFICIAL KILLED UNDER THE PRETENSE OF DELIVERING HEAVENLY PUNISHMENT OR INNOCENT CIVILIANS SUCH AS THOSE WOMEN.
CAN MANIFEST A MIGHTY POWER BY CONSUMING A FELLOW BEING.
THOSE WHO ARE COMPATIBLE WITH THE "JYUU-JIN"
OR EVEN OUR COMRADES WHO WERE KILLED SEVERAL DAYS AGO BY MATSUNAGA.
THEIR LIVES ARE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
!!
UNFORTUNATELY, THE CHOSHU ...
ARE BEASTS THAT RETAINED A PALETTE FOR THE TASTE OF FLESH.
YOUR NAME WOULD BE??
FORGIVE ME, BUT YOU WITH THE PINWHEEL..
AND BRAG ABOUT IT TO MY SUPERIORS IN THE CHOSHU, BUT—
UPON ARRIVING AT KYOU, I THOUGHT I WOULD BRING BACK SOME SHINSENGUMI HEADS
WELL, WELL—
SO YOU ARE THAT ...!
OKITA SOUJI.
I AM SHINSEN-GUMI'S FIRST UNIT CAPTAIN,

HOW FORTUNATE THAT MY FIRST CATCH
IS SUCH A BIG ONE.
CHOSHU DOMAIN WARRIOR
YOSHIDA TOSHIMARO

IT DOESN'T HAVE
A BLADE ...?!
WHAT KIND OF SWORD IS THAT..?!
?!
STOP WITH YOUR SAMURAI-WANNABE PLAY AND RUN BACK HOME
WHY IS THERE A CHILD HERE?
HM?
HOH A WESTERN SWORD..!
!
THIS KID'S ONE OF OUR PROMISING NEW MEMBERS YOU SEE.
HE EVEN GOT A SHOT IN AT YOUR SUBORDINATE, MATSUNAGA
!!
HE CALLED YOU A SAMURAI-WANNABE, PUPPY-KUN!
Grr!

...I DIDN'T DIE...!
THAT'S STRANGE...
I HAD HEARD THAT HE KILLED TWO CHILDREN.
SO HE LEFT ONE ALIVE...
HOW UNSIGHTLY.
I'M RIGHT HERE ...!!
EVEN IF YOU ARE A CHILD, A SHINSENGUMI IS SHINSENGUMI.
WELL, NO MATTER.
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I WILL HAVE THE TWO OF YOUR HEADS SOON ENOUGH TONIGHT.
I REALLY AM QUITE FORTUNATE.
!
HOW VERY OPTIMISTIC OF YOU.
I THINK WE'LL GET ALONG JUST FINE.
!!
MY ENTIRE BODY'S HAIR IS STANDING ON END...!!
WHAT'S WITH THIS ATMOSPHERE...?!

AND THEY'RE BOTH
"THRUST-STYLE" SAMURAI...!!

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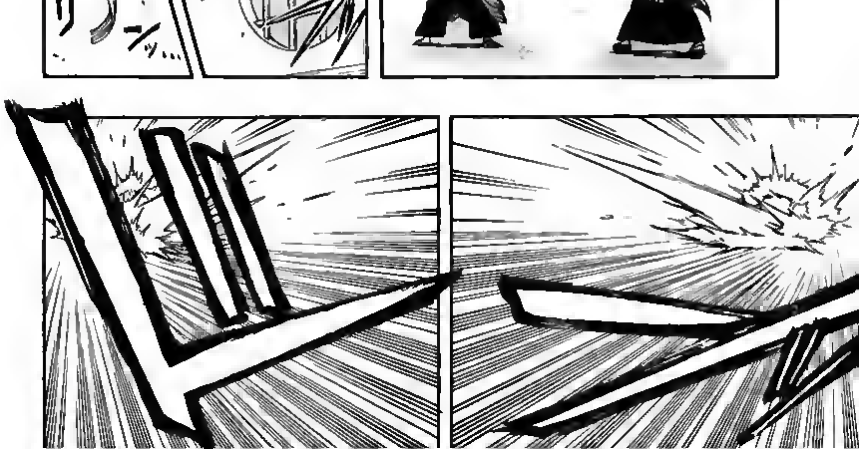

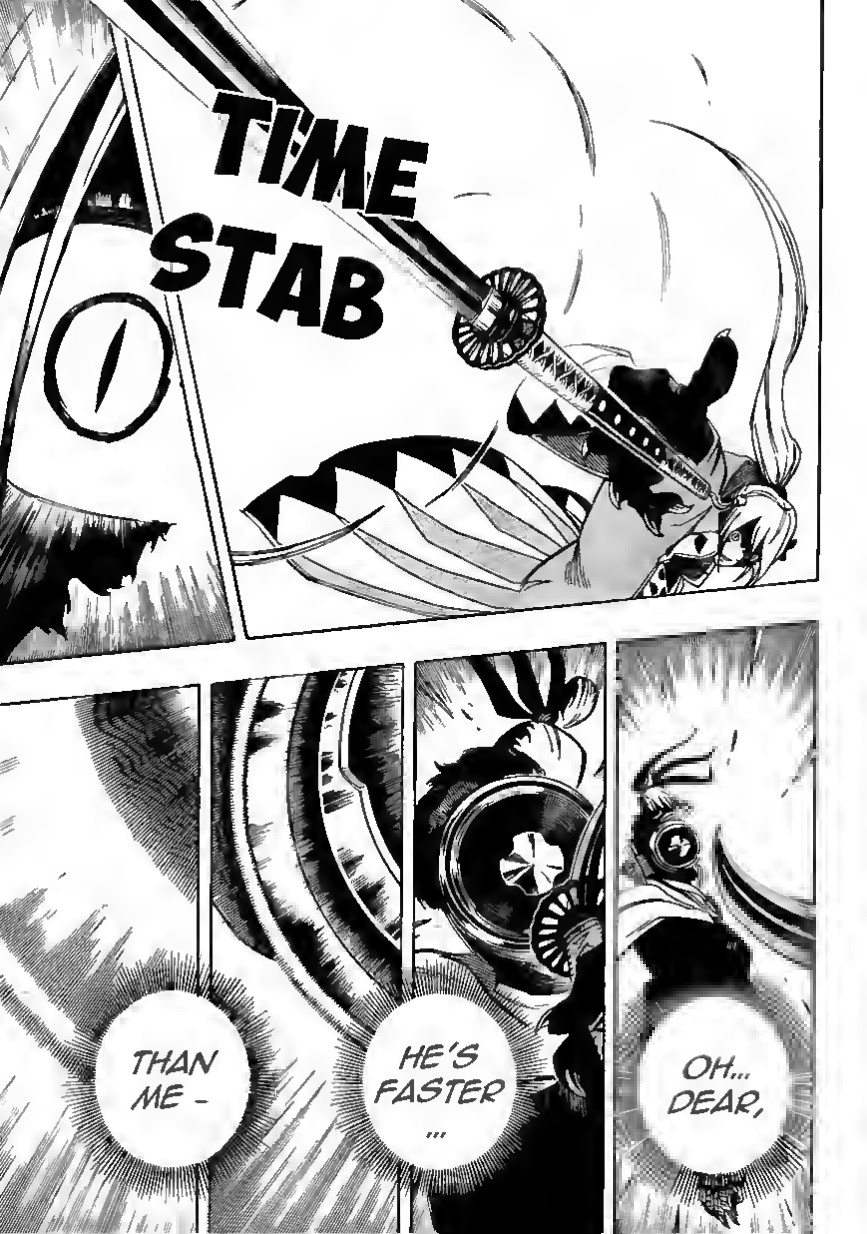
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OH... DEAR,
HE'S FASTER ...
THAN ME -

CHOSHU DOMAIN WARRIOR YOSHIDA TOSHIMARO
THE BEAST HE HOUSES IS -
WHAT WAS...
THAT TECHNIQUE JUST NOW ...?!
LOST ...?!
OKITA ...
ONE HIT.
CLATTER

THE
CASSOWARY

CALLED "THE WORLD'S MOST DANGEROUS BIRD," THEY ARE ONE OF THE LARGEST BIRDS TO WALK THE EARTH.
IN EXCHANGE FOR THEIR LACK OF ABILITY TO FLY THE SKIES, THEY POSSESS POWERFUL LEGS
ALLOWING THEM TO REACH SPEEDS OF 50 KM/HR.
AS A STUDENT OF THE YAGYU SHINKAGE-RYUU AND HOZOIN-RYUU SPEARMANSHIP,
YOSHIDA'S DEADLY THRUSTING TECHNIQUE, "UBUME DRILL"
USED THE UNCOMMONLY POWERFUL LEG STRENGTH OF THE CASSOWARY TO ITS MAXIMUM POTENTIAL.

IT'S YOUR TURN.
NOW,
IN FRONT OF THE RRED-LLIGNT DDISTRICT
SHIT! I CAN'T GET IN!!
WHAT'S UP WITH THIS GUY?!
GET OUT OF OUR WAY!!
I CAN'T GET OUTTA THE WAY
MY JOB HERE'S TO MAKE SURE
THAT THE GUYS ABOVE ME CAN DO THEIR JOB AT EASE
OKITA-SAN, JINROU-KUN, I'M LEAVING IT IN YOUR HANDS..!

SPIN
?!
OKITA-SAN?!
OWW, THAT WAS CLOSE…
I TOTALLY UNDER-ESTIMATED HIM. HE'S WAY STRONGER THAN I EXPECTED.
MATCHING THE TIMING OF HIS THRUST,
I LEAPT UP RIGHT AWAY SO I WAS OKAY, BUT…

LOOK AT THIS!
THE SHEATH I USED TO BLOCK THE THRUST WITH WITH BROKE!
And it was such a sturdy one, too
WHAT ABOUT JINROU-KUN...?!
OKITA-SAN, HURRY BACK UP!
GOT IT!
THIS MISSION MIGHT'VE BEEN A BIT TOO MUCH TO BE HIS FIRST..!
AH! HE'S ALL BY HIMSELF UP THERE!
THAT'S BAD, ISN'T IT?!
THAT THRUST WAS BAD NEWS...!
THAT SPEED'S NOT SOMETHING YOU CAN ESCAPE OR DODGE.
AND IF YOU TAKE IT UPFRONT,
IT'S ALL OVER WITH JUST ONE BLOW...!

TRY AND STAY ALIVE UNTIL I GET THERE, PUPPY-KUN...!
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ONLY THEN, FOR THE FIRST TIME, WILL I BE ABLE TO SAY THAT I'VE GOTTEN STRONGER...
ONE DAY, WHEN I'VE ACTUALLY FOUGHT WITH MY LIFE AT STAKE, AND SURVIVED..
IT'S GETTING HARD TO BREATHE-
FOR MY LIFE TO BE AT STAKE...!!
SO THIS IS WHAT IT MEANS!!

LEND ME YOUR STRENGTH.!
IT'LL ALL BE OVER WITH A SINGLE STRIKE.
CALM DOWN. THERE'S NO NEED TO WORRY.
GIN...!
UBU-ME DRILL

EAT THIS!!!
HE CUTS THROUGH... TO THE POINT BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH!!
WHAT DID HE DO...?!
WHAT...?!
THIS CHILD...
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THAT'S CRUEL! LOOK AT ME, I'M FABULOUS!
AND REALLY INTEREST -ING!
EVEN SO, WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR YOU.
OI !!
JUST IGNORE IT PLEASE.
SOHOH
SOH
Project
Vee
Rhea
THAT IS ME! YOUR FUTURE PROJECT !!
IT WOULD BE A SHAME IF YOU MISSED OUT ON THIS FABULOUS CHANCE...
POINTS
GET ME STAFF !
OOK, I SAID-
MAKE TIME FOR ME!
HOW CAN YOU NOT?
THE HEAVENS HAVE BESTOWED ME UPON YOU!!
WHAT TOUDOU IS TRYING TO SAY IS THAT WE'D LIKE ANY HELP WE CAN GET!
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